

Politics and Things

THE Progressive party in Utah has committed itself to the nomination of a third ticket in the state and it is quite likely that most of the counties and most of the judicial districts will have Progressive tickets as well. This will make a three-cornered fight in the state this fall that will enliven the campaign to the keenest satisfaction of the most sensation-hungry politician.

The third ticket will be named in September, providing the convention called for that purpose follows the advice of the state convention held at Provo last week when it was decided that a third ticket is the proper caper. Should the state nominating convention take it upon itself to refuse to heed this advice, that is another matter. But a majority of the Utah Progressives are certainly for the third ticket, from electors down.

This state is bubbling with the enthusiasm of the Progressives. Not until last week were they given a chance to demonstrate, but when they did effervesce it was of the sort that reflected the determination the independent thinkers of the state possess. The men in this movement are not after office; there are thousands of Progressives in Utah who seek nothing in the way of political preferment; there are a few who would like to have office, just as there are a few in the Republican party holding office who do not want anyone else to have their jobs.

The Progressive movement which has spread from ocean to ocean has caught Utah and rising with it are able, intelligent men and women who are not only protesting against the domination of corrupt politicians, but who are asserting their right to act independently, to think for themselves, to demand the general primary if they want it; to demand the initiative, the referendum and the recall if they want it, to demand the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Each individual in this party or in any party has the right to do his own thinking.

At any rate, the state convention, following mass conventions in various parts of the state, was held at Provo last Saturday. In Salt Lake county two days previous a rousing mass convention was held when Henry J. Allen of Kansas delivered an address that stirred the big audience before him. The county sent its delegation to Provo in a special train. A band accompanied the enthusiasts and a parade through the streets of Provo was one of the opening features of the convention. That night there was another when the delegates returned to Salt Lake.

The convention adopted a platform that will stand as a powerful campaign document. It states the Progressive position clearly. Ed Callister, internal revenue collector, listened to its reading from a secluded spot in the gallery, and his lips tightened as the "federal bunch" plank

was reached. How different was Mr. Callister's attendance at this convention from that convention in the same hall a few weeks previous. On his prior appearance in the hall, Mr. Callister moved among the delegates on the floor of the convention; he directed their work; the outcome of the convention was the fruit of the federal officer's effort. At this later affair Mr. Callister sat back in the gallery, a spectator. His influence was not felt, nor will it be felt in the Progressive party.

To resume, the convention gave Ed Loose a vote of confidence, although the colonel is out of politics, according to his own declaration, and is with the Progressive movement merely in spirit. The delegates selected to Chicago were:

Delegates—J. H. Mays, S. B. Tuttle, N. A. Robertson, Glen R. Bothwell, Salt Lake; Mrs. Charles J. Adams, Ogden; Preston G. Peterson, Provo; C. Fred Schade, Cache county; Wesley K. Walton, Randolph.

Alternates—Willis Johnson, Richfield; N. J. Valentine, Brigham City; Frank Evans, Joseph L. Lewisohn, Emma B. Smith, Freeman Morningstar, Salt Lake; John Roundy, Provo; Henry Adams, Nephi.

A feature of the convention was the presence of Thomas Lundy of Ogden, who in 1856 helped organize the Republican party back in Illinois and followed Lincoln in his first triumph. Lundy sees a similarity between the movement that sprang up then and the Progressive movement of today. He freely said that no man who helped organize the Republican party could stay with it today unless he happened to be conscienceless.

Wesley K. Walton, an old warhorse in the Republican party, called the meeting at Provo to order, after much demonstration on the part of bands and banners and bandanas and many very enthusiastic delegates. He introduced W. D. Livingston of Sanpete county as the temporary chairman. Whereat Mr. Livingston told of the movement of progressivism, lauded Colonel Roosevelt as a great leader and branded Taft as a traitor to the people.

William Glasmann, of Ogden, as permanent chairman of the convention, called attention to Colonel Roosevelt's plan for physical valuation of railroads and suggested that Utah would get a square deal when this went into operation. Wesley K. Walton was named chairman of the state central committee, which is patriotically composed of the following: Salt Lake, Allen T. Sanford; Utah, G. J. Carpenter; Rich, Wesley K. Walton; Weber, William Glasmann; Carbon, C. H. Stevenson; Morgan, C. M. Croft; Sevier, Willis Johnson; Sanpete, Lewis Larsen; Millard, C. W. Watts; Box Elder, N. J. Valentine; Cache, A. A. Law; Juab, Henry F. Adams (acting); Summit, Andrew Fadden; Emery, Leonard McCurdy; Tooele, D. Longan.

Moroni Heiner is national committeeman. Mr. Heiner is well known all over the state, as is Mr. Walton. They will get busy at once with the organization and before the state nominating convention in September there will be a Progressive body, active, alert and energetic, in every precinct in the state.

The attitude of the Progressives in Utah doesn't lend much encouragement to those enemies of the movement who are in favor of fusion. The Democrats are talking it, mostly, although some of the Progressives can see where they can strengthen their chances for office by such a move. It is the plan of a few politicians to get the Democrats and Progressives to unite upon a legal live ticket, particularly, so as to insure the election of progressive men of both parties to the legislature for the enactment of legislation looking toward the return of power to the people. So far as the experience of politicians goes fusion is a destructive rather than a constructive expedient.

Those who have remained in the trenches of the Republican party during presidential campaigns for a number of years are reminding themselves that Postmaster Arthur L. Thomas always absents himself when the presidential crisis comes and is not on the job for presidential elections.

William Langenacker is a candidate for the county recordership nomination at the hands of the Republican county convention. He has not followed the other deputies in the county clerk's office by going after the position now held by Mrs. Witcher.

The poison spraying season is over, insofar as it affects Governor Spry, for the federal bunch has ceased its antipathy to the executive and will not trot out a candidate to defeat him for the nomination. That is the situation this week, at least. Just what it will be next those who have witnessed the pole-vaulting gyrations of the bunch are unwilling to guess.

The Young Men's Republican club is likely to become involved in a controversy with itself over the support its president, Fred W. Price, has pledged to John F. Chidester of Richfield. The judge from the south is making a great fight for the Republican nomination for congress and President Price is alleged to have pledged to him the support of the club. Whether he can deliver the goods or not is another matter. In the meantime Harry Joseph and Benner X. Smith, two Salt Lake Republicans who are opponents to Judge Chidester, are wondering by what right the club is involved in this controversy.

The Democrats of Weber county will not be stampeded by the Scowcroft (Continued on Page 10.)

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